Chapter 7 System Assembly (with Example Case 1)

Generally speaking, the construction of a virtual turbine in ADAMS/WT mimics the construction of a real turbine, in that the aggregate elements are first constructed separately, then placed in the correct positions and connected together. Many of these connections have been made more automatic in this version of WT. Finally, a few site- or turbine-specific "adjustments" are made before the machine is placed on-line.

To demonstrate the entire process, this section describes the construction, in ADAMS/WT, of an example 2-bladed horizontal-axis machine. The construction steps are listed below, then discussed in more detail in the following text. Following chapters will show how to enhance this machine with more flexible elements, etc., how to build a 3-bladed version and how to build a counter-clockwise, upwind machine.

7.1 Outline

NOTE: To work through this example, you should switch into the <code>nrel/examples/case_1</code> directory before starting ADAMS/View. Assuming you have set up the environment variables and <code>aview.pth</code> file correctly, you can then start View and load the ADAMS/WT overlay with the by reading in the command file <code>wt_main.cmd</code>. At this point you should be ready to begin <code>case_1</code>.

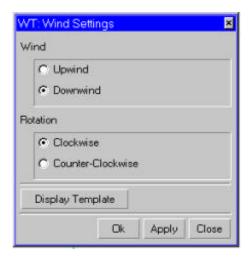
- 1. Set the direction of rotation and rotor orientation.
- 2. Create the tower aggregate element.
- 3. Create the nacelle aggregate element on top of tower.
- 4. Create the power train in the nacelle.
 - a) Stator
 - b) Low-speed Shaft
 - c) Motor-Generator
- 1. Create the hub aggregate element.
- 2. Relocate the hub to the end of the low-speed shaft.
- 3. Create blade #1 and relocate to one end of hub.
- 4. Create blade #2 and relocate to other end of hub.
- 5. Add teeter stops and hub spring.
- 6. Add tip weights.
- 7. Add AeroDyn aerodynamics to each blade.
- 8. Add gravity.
- 9. Add desired output requests.
- 10. Create a user-executable version of Solver and do the analysis.
- 11. Look at the results.

NOTE: In order to avoid losing your work, we recommend that you save the ADAMS/View session to a binary file after each section in the example is completed. This can be done through the FILE SAVE menu, or from the command line by typing:

file binary write file=case_1 (or just fi bi wr fi=case_1)

7.2 General Set-Up

This first example uses the default set-up, that is downwind and clockwise. If you wish, you can manually select this from main WT menu using WIND/ROTATION SETUP. The internal ADAMS/View variable *dir_rot* will be set to the string "DC".

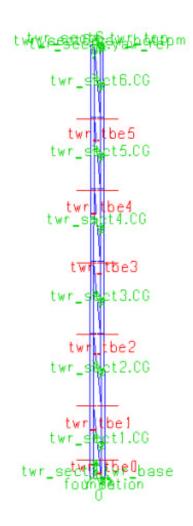


7.3 Tower

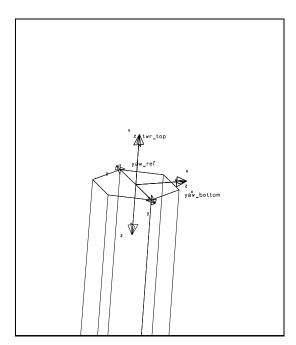
The input data for the case_1 tower are in *tower.dat* in the *examples/case_1* directory. Bring up the tower create panel and use the following values:

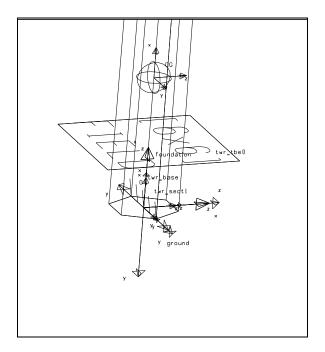
Number of Parts = 6 Tower Height = 26 m Tower Properties File = tower.dat Number of Sides = 6 Bottom Diameter = 1.0 m Top Diameter = 0.8 m Color = your choice

If everything is working properly, ADAMS/WT should display an information window which monitors the automatic tower construction. Depending on the speed of your platform, building the tower may take several minutes. When the macro terminates, the info window should disappear and you should see the tower.

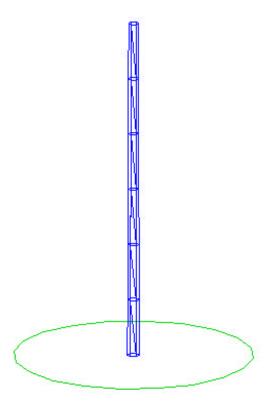


At the top of the tower is the *yaw_bottom* MARKER for later attachment to the nacelle. The bottom of the tower is a half-length tapered beam connected to the *foundation* MARKER on the ground. (These graphics are left over from version 1.5, but are the most clear I could get.)





If you desire, you can add some graphics to the *ground* PART to give some perspective during the subsequent modeling. Here you can see the effect of adding a 10-m radius circle graphic centered on the O MARKER:

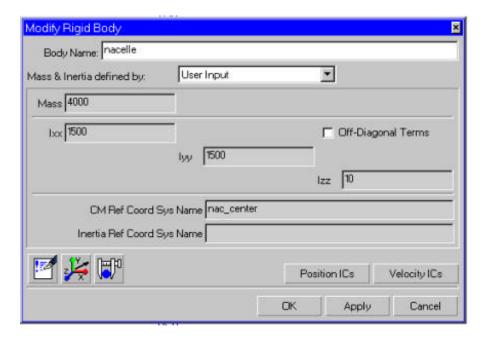


7.4 Nacelle

After completing the tower, we next move to the nacelle. For this example, you can use the following data in the NACELLE CREATE panel:

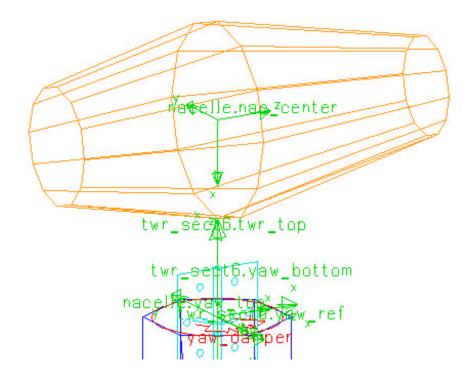
Yaw Type = free_yaw
Marker_on_Tower = yaw_bottom
Shaft_Height_Above_Bearing = 1.0 m
Yaw Stiffness = 0.26 N-m/deg
Yaw Damping = 2.6 N-m-sec/deg
Diameter_at_Bearing = 1 m
Upwind Length = 1 m
Upwind Diameter = 0.6 m
Downwind Length = 1.3 m
Downwind Diameter = 0.5 m

Then, bring up the NACELLE MODIFY panel to set the mass properties for the nacelle. When you hit the MASS PROPERTIES button, it will automatically bring up the standard View PART MODIFY panel for the *nacelle* PART. You should enter the values shown in this panel, leaving the other fields blank:



After completing the PART MODIFY panel (use OK), you should Close the NACELLE MODIFY panel without doing anything else. By picking on the nacelle and rotating a bit, you should see something like this:



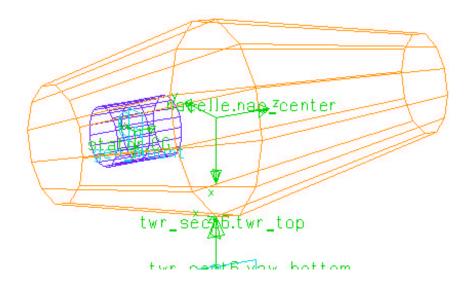


7.5 Power Train

Begin the power train by creating a generator body, called the *stator*. Remember that you can split the non-rotating inertia between the nacelle and the stator as you see fit. However, it is convenient to have a *stator* PART for connecting to one side of the motor-generator later on. Bring up the POWER_TRAIN GENERATOR_BODY panel and enter these values:

 $\begin{aligned} & Location = 0,0,-0.5 \\ & Orientation = 0,0,0 \\ & Relative_to = nac_center \\ & Mass = 200 \text{ kg} \\ & I_xx = I_yy = 20 \text{ kg-m}^2 \\ & I_zz = 10 \text{ kg-m}^2 \\ & Graphics \ Diameter = 0.3 \text{ m} \\ & Graphics \ Length = 0.4 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$

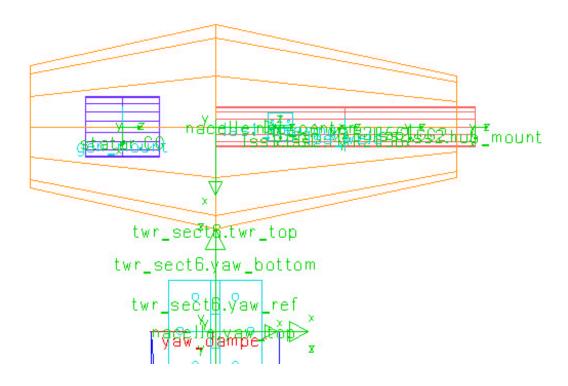
This should add the *stator* to the nacelle as shown here:



This example case does not include a high-speed shaft or gearbox. The low-speed shaft is connected directly to the motor-generator and the appropriately scaled inertia has been added to the two low-speed shaft parts. Also, this case uses a rigid shaft, created by using the torsion-only type of shaft and entering zero (0) values for the <u>both</u> shaft stiffness and shaft damping. Note that when you create a rigid shaft, WT will automatically "weld" the lss1 and lss2 shaft PARTs together with a FIXED-type JOINT, and will also remove the redundant <code>lss2_bearing</code> revolute JOINT. You may later need to relocate the <code>lss1_bearing</code> to a realistic position if you want to get more correct reaction loads on it.

Next, select the POWER_TRAIN LOW-SPEED_SHAFT TORSION_ONLY panel and enter the following values:

Location = 0,0,0.7 m Orientation = 0,0,0 Relative_to = nac_center Diameter = 0.2 m Length = 1.4 m Stiffness = 0 Damping = 0 Mass = 100 kg Ixx (=Iyy) = 10 kg-m² Izz = 1 kg-m²



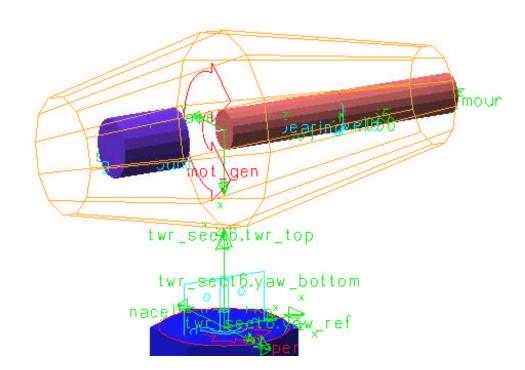
Since there is no high-speed shaft or gearing, you should now create the motor-generator. Here, the voltage is stepped up smoothly from zero to 240 volts over the first 200 msec of the simulation. This allows for a static solution, and for a more gentle startup. Bring up the POWER_TRAIN MOTOR-GENERATOR panel and enter these values.

Line Voltage = STEP(TIME,0,0,0.2,240)
Desired Speed (rpm) = 60
I Marker = .hawt.lss1.CG1
J Marker = .hawt.stator.CG

The torque-voltage-speed relation in the TORQUE_FUNCTION entry is described for this case using Thevenin's equation, which is automatically generated by filling in these coefficients and hitting the Generate Torque Function button:

 $A_0 = 0.0128067$ $C_0 = 0.000157$ $C_1 = 0.00106$ $C_2 = 0.02428$

Executing the motor-generator panel will create the *mot_gen* rotational SFORCE element which acts like the real motor-generator. The completed power train look like:



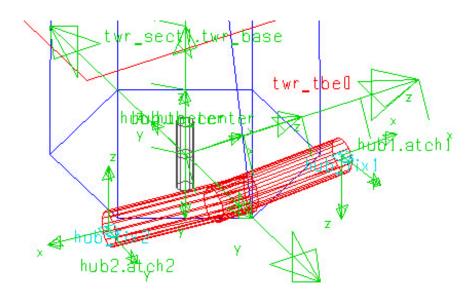
7.6 Hub

ADAMS/WT has four options for rotor hubs, 2-bladed teetering and 3-, 4- and 5-bladed rigid. For any of the hubs, you can later add flexibility between the blade attachment and the hub itself using the HUB MODIFY panels. For the case_1 example, we will create a two-bladed, teetering hub using the ROTOR_HUB CREATE 2-BLADED_TEETER panel. When you select this option, WT will display a template which makes it easier to visualize exactly to what the various parameters refer.

You should create a 2-bladed teetering hub using the following parameters:

Precone = 5 deg Axial_Offset = -0.3 m (underslung) Delta_3 = 0 deg Root_Cutout = 0.5 m

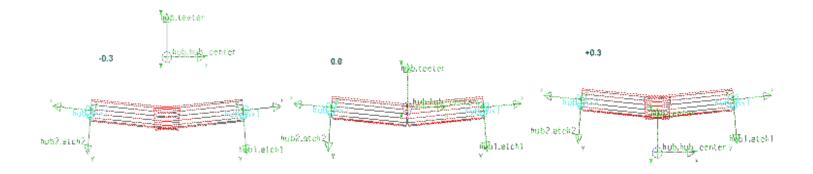
This will build the *hub* PART geometry, but leave it at the global origin (base of the tower).



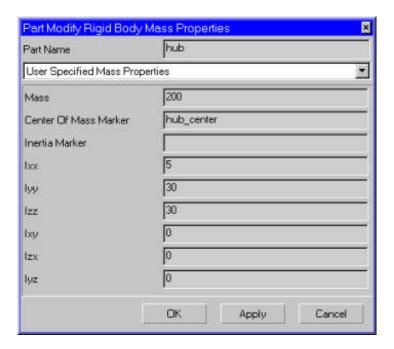
It might be helpful here to examine more closely exactly what happens when you change the axial_offset parameter and how it is related to the precone and root_cutout parameters. The following figure shows the same hub you just created, but using -0.3, 0.0 or +0.3 as the axial_offset. In each window, the teetering hinge line is centered in the frame. The axial_offset is shown as the vertical distance between the hinge line (*teeter*) and the blade attachment points (*atch#*).

Note that the actual location of the bottom of the rotor cone, that is, the imaginary intersection of the two blade axes, is <u>not</u> at axial_offset below the hinge line, unless the precone is 0. This is clearly shown in the center frame, where the axial_offset is 0 and precone is 5°, and the intersection is still below the hinge. In fact, the distance from the hinge point to the "bottom" is:

axial offset - root cutout*cos(precone)

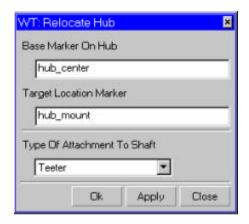


After creating the *hub* PART, you need to bring up the ROTOR_HUB MODIFY 2-BLADED TEETER panel, hit the MASS PROPERTIES button and enter these data:



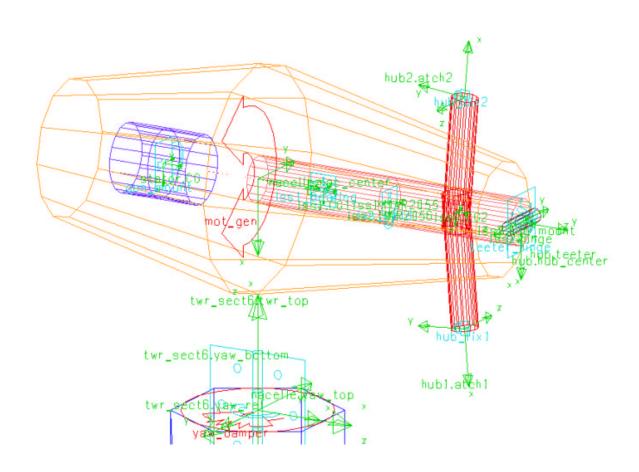
After executing this panel, you will be returned to the ROTOR_HUB MODIFY 2-BLADED_TEETER panel. You should Close out of the hub modify panel without making any other changes.

Next, you need to relocate the *hub* to the end of the low-speed shaft, using the ROTOR_HUB RELOCATE panel with the entries shown:



This will both move the *hub* to its correct position and create the *teeter_hinge* revolute JOINT between it and the *lss2* PART at the correct position and orientation. Note that using these default MARKERs for the relocation means that the teetering hinge will be located exactly at the very end of the low-speed shaft. To change this in another model, you should move the *hub_mount* <u>before</u> you relocate the *hub*.

Note that you can change the size of the *teeter_hinge* icon using the CONSTRAINT ATTRIBUTES panel (starting from the Command Navigator). In this case, a size of about 0.25 meters seems to look pretty good.

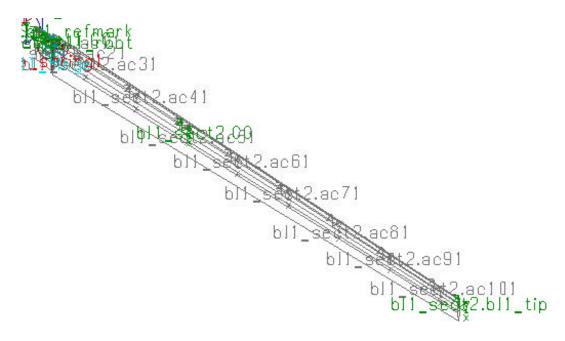


7.7 Blade #1

This example uses a rigid/hinged blade. The blade data for case 1 is found in the *blade.dat* file in the *examples/case_1* directory. Bring up the rigid blade creation panel, ROTOR_BLADE CREATE RIGID_BLADE STRUCTURAL, and use the following values:

Blade Number = 1
Aero Sections Inboard = 2
Aero Sections Outboard = 8
Property File = blade.dat
Tip Radius = 13.0 m
Hinge Radius = 1.0 m
Root Radius = 0.5 m
Hinge Stiffness = 100 N-m/deg (dummy value)
Hinge Damping = 10 N-m-sec/deg (dummy value)
Fixed # of Aero_Points per Section = 1

If everything is working, ADAMS/WT will run the auxiliary program *wtblade*.exe and should display an information window which monitors the blade construction. This could take a couple of minutes. The blade, like the hub, is originally constructed on the ground. Note that the aerodynamic center locations are already in place (the *ac##* MARKERs) and the tip is also marked for later attachment of the tip weight.



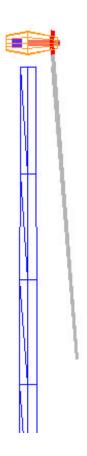
After this, you of course need to relocate the blade to the correct attachment point on the hub. Using the ROTOR_BLADE RELOCATE panel with the following values will both move the blade to the *atch1* MARKER on the hub and connect it to the hub with a FIXED-type JOINT called *bl1_rootweld*.

Blade Number = 1 Base Marker on Blade = bl1_root Target Location Marker = atch1 Pitch Angle = -5.68 deg

Note that this value for pitch angle, -5.68°, should give very similar response to the -10.8° values used in example cases 2 and 3 with flexible blades. Checking the *blade.dat* file, you can see that the aerodynamic pitch at the blade root is approximately -5.12°. Referring to the description of blade relocation in Section 5.6.4, we find that the expression for pitch setting for a rigid blade is:

rigid_pitch_setting = measured_pitch_angle - root_twist_angle

which in this case gives (-10.8 - -5.12) = -5.68. Note also that, by convention, the #1 blade begins in the zero azimuth position, which is pointing straight down. The following graphic has the ADAMS/View icons turned off for clarity.



7.8 Blade #2

The construction of blade number 2 is identical in every way (except numbering) to blade number 1. It uses the same blade properties file and the same number of aerodynamic sections and markers as blade #1. Note that the ROTOR_BLADE CREATE RIGID_BLADE STRUCTURAL panel "remembers" the data from the first blade, so you need only input the number 2 in the appropriate field.

Blade Number = 2

After creating the #2 blade, you should again use the ROTOR_BLADE RELOCATE panel, but with the following values:

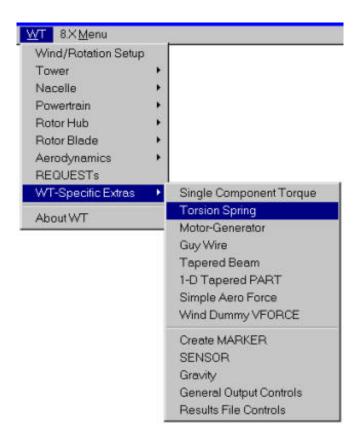
Blade Number = 2 Base Marker on Blade = bl2_root Target Location Marker = atch2 Pitch Angle = -5.68 deg After the second blade is attached to the hub, it should appear as follows:



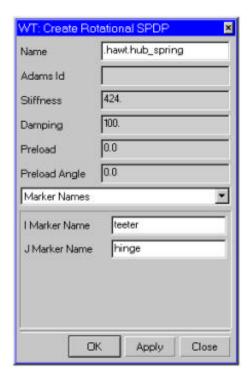
7.9 Teetering Spring and Stops

The example rotor has a centering spring in the hub, in addition to the teeter stops. Both of these are modeled in ADAMS as force elements attached to the same two markers which define the teetering pin joint, *teeter_hinge*. Those are automatically created by ADAMS/WT when the hub is relocated to the end of the shaft and consist of a MARKER named *hinge* on the *lss2* PART and the *teeter* MARKER on the *hub* PART.

For the centering spring, you should create a SPRINGDAMPER named *hub_spring* using the WT-Specific Extras / Torsion Spring panel from the WT main menu structure.

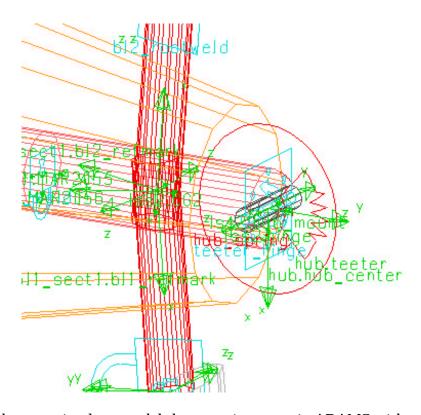


This brings up the SPDP panel, which you fill in as shown:

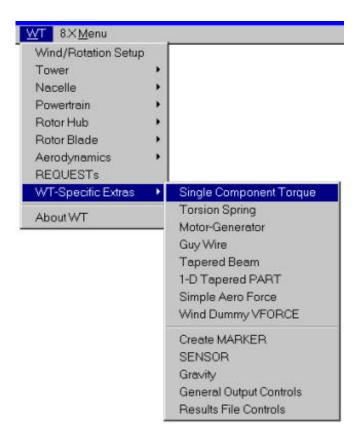


Note that even though this input panel uses stiffness values per degree and damping values per degree per second, when the actual ADAMS dataset file (.adm) is written, these values will be automatically converted to per radian. The values will remain in per degree in the A/View command (.cmd) file. All calculations internal to ADAMS/Solver are done in radians.

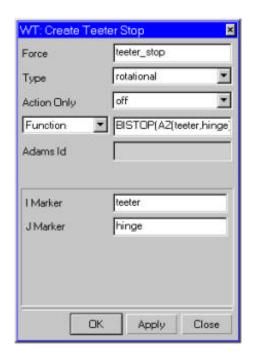
After scaling down the icons for convenience, the hub center should look like:



It turns out to be very simple to model the teetering stops in ADAMS with a single rotational SFORCE element containing the BISTOP function, which is designed to model two-ended slots. You should create this SFORCE named *teeter_stop* on the same two MARKERs as the *hub_spring* and *teeter_hinge*. This is done using the WT-Specific Extras / Single Component Torque panel from the WT main menu structure.



This brings up the Teeter Stop panel which you should fill-in as shown:

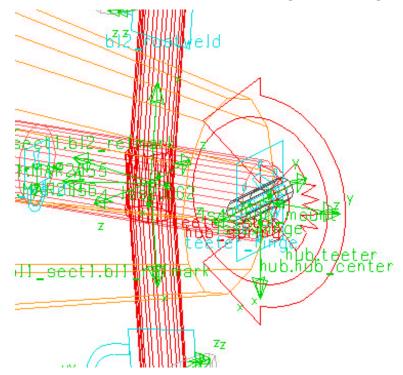


and then entering it there.

The exact text for the teetering stop function expression is given here. You can easily enter this in the panel by right-clicking in the function field to bring up the Function Builder tool

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BISTOP(AZ(teeter, hinge),
WZ(teeter, hinge, hinge),
-.044,.044,683000,1,8430,.001)
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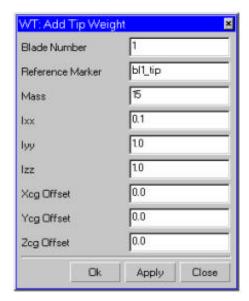
Please break the expression onto three lines as shown. If you put it all on one line, it will be too long for View to handle internally after the MARKER names are fully expanded. Note also, that in this case, because you are writing an ADAMS/Solver function expression that will be transferred directly into the dataset, the stiffness and damping values are given per radian. You may again need to scale the force icon for aesthetics to get something that looks like:



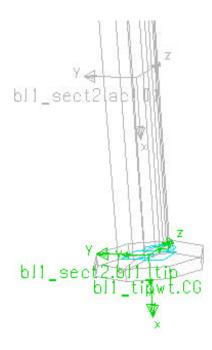
7.10 Tip Weights

This example case uses tip weights on both blades. Tip weights are often used to give the inertial effects of an undeployed tip brake mechanism. This version of ADAMS/WT does <u>not</u> include deployable tip brakes as an automatically-generated aggregate element. You could, of course, add such a mechanism to each blade manually.

To add a tip weight to blade #1, bring up the ROTOR_BLADE ADD_TIP_WEIGHT panel and use the parameters shown:



This should change the blade tip to look like this:



After applying the panel for blade #1, you should change the blade number and reference marker for blade #2 and apply again. WT should retain the values in the other fields.

Blade_number = 2 Ref_marker = bl2_tip

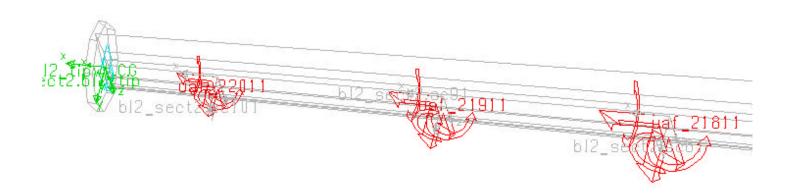
7.11 Aerodynamics

It is surprisingly simple to add aerodynamics to the model, due mainly to the large amount of up-front work done by Craig Hansen's group at the University of Utah, and the automation provided by ADAMS/WT. The AeroDyn aerodynamics subroutines are described in more detail in Appendix H. This version of WT is designed to work with version 11.X of AeroDyn and will not work with earlier versions.

To add the GFORCE elements which apply the aerodynamic forces computed in the AeroDyn routines to blade #1, you should bring up the AERODYNAMICS AERODYN_AERO RIGID_BLADE panel and enter the data shown:

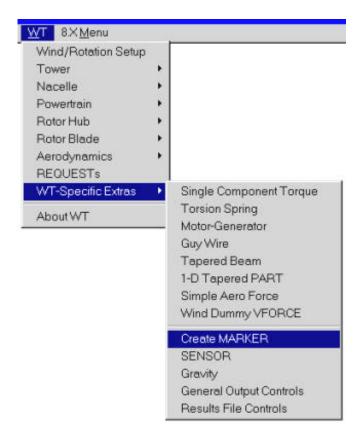


Apply this panel for blade #1 and then change only the Blade_Number field (to 2) and apply the panel again for blade #2. Each time you apply the panel, A/View will spend some time doing computations and, if you have the standard command window open, you should see a series of messages flash past in the dialog window, like "The floating marker FMA119110 has been created on the part .hawt.ground." After the aerodynamic GFORCE elements are added, it will be nearly impossible to make out anything on the whole model when the View icons are turned on. By itself, a section of blade #2 would look like:

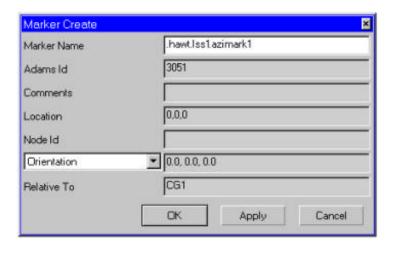


Before you can use the aerodynamics, you <u>must</u> add two specific MARKERs to the one of the low-speed shaft PARTs which AeroDyn will use to identify the blade azimuthal position. These MARKERs must have the ADAMS/Solver identifiers of 305#, where # is the blade number. Also they must be aligned such that their z-axes are along the shaft axis of rotation and their x-axes point radially outward in the plane formed by the shaft and matching blade axes.

To do the first marker, you can go through the A/View command navigator menus to open the MARKER CREATE panel, or just use the WT-Specific Elements menu.



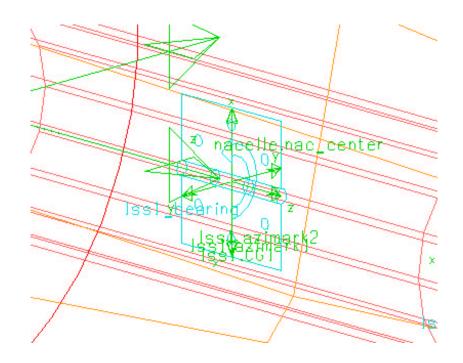
You should fill out the panel as shown here:



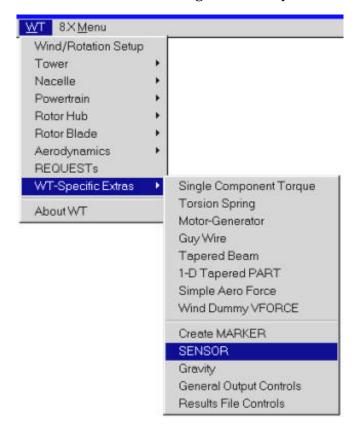
Apply the panel then re-do it with this information for the other blade:

$$\label{eq:marker_name} \begin{split} & marker_name = .hawt.lss1.azimark2 \\ & adams_id = 3052 \\ & location = 0,0,0 \\ & orientation = 0,0,180 \\ & relative_to = CG1 \end{split}$$

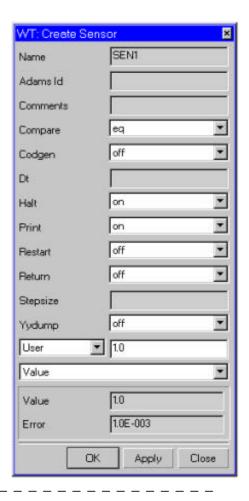
After creating both of these MARKERs, you can zoom tightly in on the *lss1_bearing* area and you should see there:



You must also create a dummy ADAMS SENSOR element to be used by the AeroDyn routines to monitor the progress of the simulation and advance the aerodynamic algorithm in step with it. This is also done through the WT-Specific Elements menu:



This should bring up a SENSOR creation panel with all the correct values filled in for you. You can check it against this one.

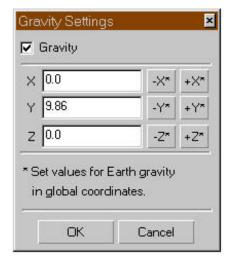


You also need appropriate input files for AeroDyn. These are the <code>yawdyn.ipt</code> and <code>airfoil.dat</code> files which can be found in the <code>examples/case_1</code> directory. You might note that the <code>yawdyn.ipt</code> file for <code>case_1</code> is slightly different than the ones used for <code>cases 2</code>, 3 & 4. This is because that file includes data on the chord and spanwise length of each aerodynamic segment in the blade. These are different for the rigid blades and the flexible blades, which do not have the exact same radial segment spacing.

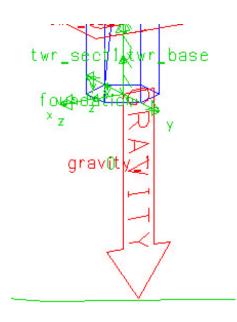
Finally, before you can actually use the rotor you have created here, you must create a user-executable version of ADAMS/Solver which includes the AeroDyn subroutines. This will allow you to run the model with these aerodynamics. How to do this and then how to run the model is covered in section 7.13 - Doing the Analysis.

7.12 Gravity

Gravity should be added to the model using the normal ADAMS/View menus (Settings / Gravity) or from the WT-Specific Extras menu, which also has a gravity choice. Complete the panel as shown:

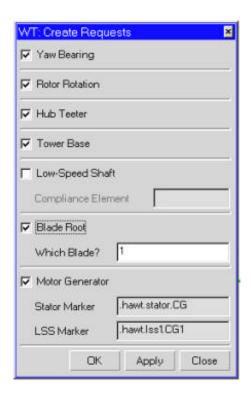


The gravity force should appear as a small arrow at the base of the tower, pointing straight down (along positive global y axis).



7.13 Output Requests

Basic requests for tabular output are now automated in ADAMS/WT version 2.0. To turn on these outputs, which will show up in the *.req* file, go back to the main WT menu and select REQUESTS to see the various different kinds of output you can solicit from ADAMS, most of which only need a confirmation to be included.



Note that for the MOTOR-GENERATOR request, you must define the two MARKERs between which the *mot_gen* force acts.

M-G attachment marker on stator = .hawt.stator.CG M-G attachment marker on LSS = .hawt.lss1.CG1

For the BLADE_ROOT request, you must specify which blade you want to monitor.

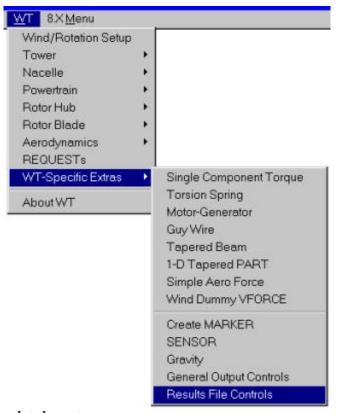
Which blade? = 1

The LOW-SPEED-SHAFT request is only used for flexible (either torsion-only or fully-flexible) and cannot be used for this example.

You may, of course, add additional REQUESTs to the model using any and all of the methods allowed by ADAMS, i.e. standard type requests, functionally defined requests or REQSUB user-subroutine-generated requests. AeroDyn comes with an example REQSUB user-subroutine which is described in detail in the AeroDyn appendix.

As in previous versions of ADAMS/WT, to save both space and run time, we recommend that you turn off the RESULTS output and create specific REQUESTs for any data you need. This minimizes the absolute amount of output and speeds the runs significantly. If you do need to use the results (.res) file, writing it UNFORMATTED will be both faster and produce much smaller files than the default FORMATTED output, but files will not be portable across platforms.

The Results control panel can be accessed from the WT-Specific Extras menu.

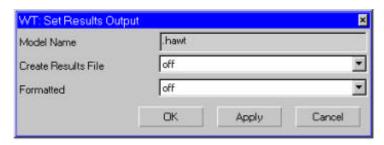


To turn off the results completely, set:

```
create_results_file = off
formatted = off
```

To keep the results file, but use the faster unformatted output, on the same panel you should set :

create_results_file = on
formatted = off



7.14 Doing the Analysis

As mentioned in above, writing output files can be a large portion of total run time, especially on platforms with small disk write caches. Generally speaking, therefore, except during debugging, it is better to use specific REQUESTs for plotting and the graphics file for animation than to postprocess from the results (.res) file.

The ADAMS/Solver output (.out) file also is normally superfluous, since the information there is a reformatted version of the request file. You can reduce the size of the .out file to a minimum from the main WT menu by selecting the panel for General Output Controls and setting:

print = off

You do not need to change any of the other fields in this panel. Nothing appears in your A/View model when this panel is executed; the ADAMS dataset will have a line in it which reads, "OUTPUT/NOPRINT."

In the past, it has often been necessary to "tweak" the static and dynamic solution parameters a little to get a wind turbine model to run the most smoothly. The integrators in ADAMS/Solver version 9.1, however, have been under continuous development for some time, as have the AeroDyn aerodynamics subroutines, and you should find that the combination in WT 2.0 works much better with default integrator and solver values than previously.

In addition, the numerical performance of the AeroDyn subroutines has been significantly improved. Because of this, it is now possible to run most WT-created models using the standard, default GSTIFF integrator. We usually recommend WSTIFF, however, because it appears to run more smoothly. Despite this appearance, GSTIFF may still run much faster. You should experiment with the integrators with your model.

To specifically select WSTIFF, from the Command Navigator, select the panel for EXECUTIVE_CONTROL SET NUMERICAL_INTEGRATOR_PARAMETERS. Cycle the Integrator Type to WSTIFF and execute the panel without changing any of the other parameters. This will put the INTEGRATOR/WSTIFF command right in the dataset and you should not need to put it in your Solver command file.

Using GSTIFF instead of the BDF integrators could make your simulations run significantly faster, possibly as much as 3-4 times faster. You may, however, usually see many more informational messages about integrator and solver performance "hiccups" than previously appeared using WSTIFF. (By default, the WSTIFF integrator neglects to tell the user about most of these little problems!) As long as the integrator continues and does not get bogged down, these messages can be considered just educational. To specifically select GSTIFF, from the Command Navigator, select the panel for EXECUTIVE_CONTROL SET NUMERICAL_INTEGRATOR_PARAMETERS. Cycle the Integrator Type to GSTIFF and execute the panel without changing any of the other parameters.

At this point, your model is complete and you should change its name from the default *hawt* to *case_1* and then write it out in dataset (.adm) format for simulation and in View binary and command file formats for safekeeping. These actions may be accomplished from the BUILD /

MODEL / RENAME and FILE / EXPORT panels, or directly from the A/View command line. In the command line window, you can type:

In the command line window, you can type:

model modify model=hawt new=case_1 file adams write file=case_1 file command write file=case_1 entity=case_1 file binary write file=case_1

Now you are ready to try your first simulation of the *case_1* turbine. Before you can do this, however, you must create a user-executable version of ADAMS/Solver that includes the AeroDyn routines. This can be done through the ADAMS graphical front end or with the menu interface from the <u>system</u> command line.

First, you should compile the AeroDyn FORTRAN code into object modules. In the *nrel/fortran* directory you should compile the files *aerosubs.f, modules.f, sensub.f* and *gfosub.f*. If you plan to later use the pre-configured AeroDyn requests instead of the standard ADAMS/WT requests, you can also include the *reqsub.f* file into the executable. (It is not needed for this example, but does not hurt anything to include the file.) The compile command, depending on your platform, should be something like

f77 -c aerosubs.f sensub.f gfosub.f modules.f (UNIX)
or
df /c /G5 /Ob2 /MD aerosubs.f modules.f sensub.f gfosub.f (N

Assuming that there were no errors in the compilation, you should end up with four object files. Note that for successful compilation, you must have the two include files *aerodyn.inc* and *bedoes.inc* in the same directory. You can then create the user-executable version of ADAMS/Solver with the menu interface step by step, or with the single long command

mdi -c cr-u i n aerosubs.o modules.o sensub.o gfosub.o -n wt20.exe exit or for NT

mdi cr-u n aerosubs.obj modules.obj sensub.obj gfosub.obj -n wt20.exe

This should leave the file *wt20.exe* in the directory. You should copy, link or move this file into the *examples/case_1* directory for use with this model. You should then switch back to the *examples/case_1* and you will be ready to try out the *case_1* model.

Because you are running a user-executable version of ADAMS/Solver and will need special Solver commands to run it, and because you will often be running many simulations in a row, it is usually more convenient to run the code from the system command line instead of submitting it directly from the ADAMS/View.

To do this you must first create an ADAMS/Solver command file (.acf) to control the simulation. Using your editor, create a text file named case_1.acf with the following contents:

```
case_1
case_1
integrator/wstiff, err=5e-4
sim/dyn,end=0.2,step=100
sim/dyn,end=1,step=100
sim/dyn,end=2,step=53
sim/dyn,end=3,step=53
sim/dyn,end=4,step=53
sim/dyn,end=5,step=53
sim/dyn,end=6,step=53
sim/dyn,end=7,step=53
sim/dyn,end=8,step=53
sim/dyn,end=8,step=53
sim/dyn,end=9,step=53
sim/dyn,end=9,step=53
sim/dyn,end=10,step=53
sim/dyn,end=10,step=53
stop
```

To run the code you can again use the menu interface step by step, or enter the single long command at the system prompt:

```
mdi -c ru-u i wt20.exe case_1.acf exit
or for NT
mdi ru-u wt20.exe case 1.acf
```

At this point, ADAMS/Solver should start up and the simulation progress should be displayed on screen. You can expect some difficulty with simulation startup, and perhaps some warning messages about corrector convergence during the run, but these can both be ignored as long as the simulation recovers. The program log is also written to the file $case_1.msg$. When the run is complete, you should be returned to the system prompt and the simulation results should be in the files $case_1.gra$ and $case_1.req$. The .msg file should contain something very similar to the log shown below. (This is reproduced in its entirety only for the first example case:

```
************
                                                                                        Mechanical Dynamics, Inc.
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             *************
                                                                                           ADAMS/Solver
                                                 18:54:23 24-DEC-98
                                                                                                                                                                               Version 9.1
             *************
OUTFOP: IN_FILENM
                     ADAMS model file .. case_1.adm
OUTFOP:OUT_FILES
            Default file names for output files
                    Tabular output file:
                    case 1.out
                    Diagnostic file :
                    case_1.msg
                    Message Database file
                    case_1.mdb
                    Graphics file
                                                                                       :
                     case_1.gra
                    Request file
                     case_1.req
                     Femdata file
                     case_1.fem
                     Results file
                     case_1.res
INVIEW: READMDL
            Input Phase - Reading in Model
INVIEW:MESSAGE91
               *****************
            ADAMS/Solver dataset Title:
```

```
ADAMS/View model name: case_1
INVIEW:READ_MDL
   Reading of model complete.
INBASE:DATABASE
   Input Phase - Populating Solver database
INBASE: INP_DONE
   Input Phase Complete.
MEKINP: CPUTIME
   CPU time is 0.31045 seconds.
USRMES:USER
    SENSUB called with no errors
   TD = 1
USRMES: USER
   AeroDyn Version 11.0, University of Utah
USRMES:USER
   AWT-26 ADAMS model using University of Utah aerodynamics routines v10.0
USRMES:USER
   Dynamic inflow theory not used in the analysis {\tt ID} = 5
   Only 1 line in wind file, steady wind conditions used ID = 7
USRMES: USER
   Detected system force units of Newtons
VERINP: END INPUT
   Input and Input Check Phase complete.
GTMODE:NUMB_DOFS

The system has 41 kinematic degrees of freedom.
GLGETL: USER CMND
   integrator/wstiff, err=5e-4
GLGETL:USER_CMND
   sim/dyn,end=0.2,step=100
DBANNR:BDF
   Begin the dynamic analysis.
   The system is modelled with DAEs.
   The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.
DBANNR:BDF_TABLE
   The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:
                                Default |Recommended|Selected
          Integration error
                  NTREL_ERR
                                1.00E-03
                                                           5.00E-04
                  NTABS_ERR | 1.00E-03 |
                                            -----
                                                          5.00E-04
          Corrector error
                  CRREL_ERR | 1.00E-06 | 5.00E-07 | 5.00E-07 | CRABS_ERR | 1.00E-06 | 5.00E-07 | 5.00E-07
ICCALC:DISPL
   Displacement initial condition analysis...
CODGEN: JAC_STAT
   Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
   Number of equations ..... = 187
Number of non-zero entries .... = 1094
   Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 3.1285
Total space used in MD array .... = 79060
   Velocity initial condition analysis...
```

Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions

```
Number of equations ..... = 187
Number of non-zero entries ..... = 1208
   Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 3.4545
  Total space used in MD array .... = 78012
ICCALC: ACCEL
  Acceleration initial condition analysis...
CODGEN: JAC STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
   -----
  Number of equations ..... = 388
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 2398
  Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 1.5929
  Total space used in MD array .... = 91020
SYMBLU:DISP VELO
  Generating the Jacobian matrix for the displacements and velocities.
CODGEN: JAC STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
  Number of equations ..... = 187
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 1094
  Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 3.1285
Total space used in MD array .... = 79166
SYMBLU: ACCELRATN
  Generating the Jacobian matrix for the accelerations and forces.
CODGEN: JAC STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
  Number of equations ..... = 388
Number of non-zero entries .... = 2398
   Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 1.5929
  Total space used in MD array .... = 104674
   Generating the Jacobian matrix for the dynamics problem.
CODGEN: JAC STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for a Dynamic Analysis
   Number of equations ..... = 559
Number of non-zero entries .... = 4982
  Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 1.5943
  Total space used in MD array \dots = 173552
                   Time Cumulative Cumulative
Step Iterations Steps Taken
   Simulation
                                                                Integrator
                                                                 Order
      Time
                 1.00000E-04
   0.00000E+00
                                           Ω
                                                          Ω
CORRCT:NO CONVG
   -- WARNING ----
  The corrector has failed to converge at time 1.89063E-04 after 6 attempts.
GTMODE:NUMB_DOFS
   The system has 41 kinematic degrees of freedom.
  At time 1.0E-04 and step 2 , ADAMS is adjusting solver and integrator
  parameters to attempt an integration restart.
ICCALC:DISPL
  Displacement initial condition analysis...
CODGEN: JAC STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
   ______
  Number of equations ..... = 187
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 1094
  Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 3.1285
Total space used in MD array .... = 78892
ICCALC: VELO
  Velocity initial condition analysis...
```

CODGEN: JAC_STAT

```
Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
   _____
  Number of equations ..... = 187
   Number of non-zero entries ..... = 1094
  Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 3.1285
Total space used in MD array .... = 78892
ICCALC:ACCEL
  Acceleration initial condition analysis...
CODGEN: JAC STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
  Number of equations ..... = 388
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 2398
   Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 1.5929
  Total space used in MD array .... = 92046
SYMBLU:DISP_VELO
   Generating the Jacobian matrix for the displacements and velocities.
CODGEN: JAC_STAT
  Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
   -----
  Number of equations ..... = 187
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 1094
Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 3.1285
  Total space used in MD array .... = 78976
SYMBLU: ACCELRATN
  Generating the Jacobian matrix for the accelerations and forces.
CODGEN: JAC STAT
   Jacobian Matrix Statistics for the Initial Conditions
   ______
  Number of equations ..... = 388
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 2398
Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 1.5929
  Total space used in MD array .... = 105508
SYMBIJI: DYNAMICS
  Generating the Jacobian matrix for the dynamics problem.
CODGEN: JAC STAT
   Jacobian Matrix Statistics for a Dynamic Analysis
   -----
  Number of equations ..... = 559
  Number of non-zero entries ..... = 4982
   Percentage of matrix non-zero ... = 1.5943
  Total space used in MD array .... = 179208
   Simulation
                    Time
Step
                             Cumulative
                                                Cumulative
                                                               Integrator
                                  Iterations
                                                Steps Taken
                                                                 Order
                 1.00000E-04
1.20729E 02
                                 69
78
105
135
158
178
198
219
239
259
279
299
    1.00000E-04
                  1.20729E-03
2.00000E-03
2.00000E-03
    2.00000E-03
    2.00000E-02
                                                                    2
    4.00000E-02
                                                        23
    6.00000E-02
                   2.00000E-03
    8.00000E-02
                   2.00000E-03
                                                        43
                                                                    2
                  2.00000E-03
2.00000E-03
    1.00000E-01
                                                        53
    1.20000E-01
                                                        63
                                                                    2
                  2.00000E-03
2.00000E-03
2.00000E-03
    1.40000E-01
                                                      73
83
                                                                    2
    1.80000E-01
                                                        93
                                                    103
    2.00000E-01
                   2.00000E-03
GLGETL:USER CMND
  sim/dyn,end=1,step=100
DBANNR: BDF
  Begin the dynamic analysis.
  The system is modelled with DAEs.
  The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.
DBANNR: BDF TABLE
   The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:
                             Default Recommended | Selected
        Integration error
                NTREL_ERR
                             1.00E-03
                                                     5.00E-04
                NTABS_ERR
                             1.00E-03
                                        -----
                                                    5.00E-04
```

Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
2.00000E-01	4.00000E-04	299	103	2
2.08000E-01	6.00000E-03	305	105	2
2.80000E-01	8.00000E-03	333	114	2
3.60000E-01	8.00000E-03	362	124	4
4.40000E-01	8.00000E-03	392	134	3
5.20000E-01	8.00000E-03	421	144	3
6.00000E-01	8.00000E-03	450	154	2
6.80000E-01	8.00000E-03	474	164	4
7.60000E-01	8.00000E-03	494	174	3
8.40000E-01	8.00000E-03	514	184	3
9.20000E-01	8.00000E-03	534	194	3
1.00000E+00	8.00000E-03	554	204	3

GLGETL:USER_CMND sim/dyn,end=2,step=53

DBANNR:BDF
Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.
The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error	ĺ	ĺ	Ì
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03	i	5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
	ĺ	ĺ	ĺ
Corrector error	ĺ	ĺ	Ì
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
1.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	554	204	3
1.01887E+00	1.08679E-02	559	206	3
1.11321E+00	1.88679E-02	574	211	3
1.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	592	217	4
1.33962E+00	1.88679E-02	610	223	4
1.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	628	229	3
1.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	646	235	4
1.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	664	241	5
1.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	682	247	5
1.90566E+00	1.88679E-02	700	253	5

GLGETL:USER_CMND

sim/dyn,end=3,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.

The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error	İ	İ	İ
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
2.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	715	258	4
2.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	718	259	5
2.11321E+00	7.07547E-03	772	270	2
2.22642E+00	1.41509E-02	843	284	2
2.33962E+00	9.43396E-03	957	304	2
2.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	1066	322	3
2.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	1097	330	3
2.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	1115	336	3
2.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	1133	342	3
2.90566E+00	1.41509E-02	1172	351	2

GLGETL: USER CMND

sim/dyn,end=4,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.

The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error			
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
	[ļ	
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
3.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	1227	361	3
3.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	1231	362	2
3.11321E+00	9.43396E-03	1284	373	3
3.22642E+00	1.41509E-02	1336	384	3
3.33962E+00	1.88679E-02	1381	396	3
3.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	1445	409	3
3.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	1469	415	5
3.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	1509	423	5
3.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	1535	429	5
3.90566E+00	9.43396E-03	1565	438	3

GLGETL:USER_CMND

sim/dyn,end=5,step=53

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.

The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error	İ	İ	Ì
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
4.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	1606	447	4
4.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	1610	448	4
4.11321E+00	1.88679E-02	1644	455	3
4.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	1669	461	5
4.33962E+00	4.71698E-03	1713	472	3
4.45283E+00	7.22288E-03	1785	487	3
4.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	1852	500	3
4.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	1879	506	4
4.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	1903	512	5
4.90566E+00	1.88679E-02	1946	523	3

GLGETL: USER_CMND

sim/dyn,end=6,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs. The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error	į	į	İ
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03	i	5.00E-04
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
5.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	1963	528	4
5.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	1967	529	4
5.11321E+00	1.41509E-02	2012	539	3
5.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	2037	545	4
5.33962E+00	1.88679E-02	2061	551	5
5.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	2103	561	3
5.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	2149	571	4
5.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	2185	579	3
5.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	2207	585	5
5.90566E+00	1.88679E-02	2248	596	3

GLGETL:USER_CMND sim/dyn,end=7,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs. The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE
The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error	İ	İ	İ
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
6.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	2284	604	4
6.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	2288	605	4
6.11321E+00	1.88679E-02	2326	614	4
6.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	2360	622	4
6.33962E+00	1.88679E-02	2384	628	4
6.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	2421	638	4
6.56604E+00	9.43396E-03	2459	647	2
6.67925E+00	1.41509E-02	2508	656	3
6.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	2548	665	4
6.90566E+00	9.43396E-03	2612	679	3

GLGETL:USER_CMND

sim/dyn,end=8,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.
The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default R	ecommended	Selected
Integration error	i i		İ
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
	[[
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
7.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	2630	685	5
7.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	2633	686	5
7.11321E+00	1.88679E-02	2651	692	4
7.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	2669	698	6
7.33962E+00	1.88679E-02	2689	704	4
7.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	2716	713	3
7.56604E+00	9.43396E-03	2746	721	2
7.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	2775	727	4
7.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	2808	735	4
7.90566E+00	1.88679E-02	2841	744	4

GLGETL:USER_CMND sim/dyn,end=9,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.

The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

DBANNR:BDF_TABLE

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default	Recommended	Selected
Integration error	İ	ĺ	ĺ
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
TIME	scep	ICCIACIONS	Sceps Taken	Order
8.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	2861	749	4
8.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	2865	750	4
8.11321E+00	1.88679E-02	2881	755	4
8.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	2899	761	5
8.33962E+00	9.43396E-03	2925	768	4
8.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	2955	777	4
8.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	2988	785	3
8.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	3015	791	4
8.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	3037	797	6
8.90566E+00	9.43396E-03	3073	807	3

GLGETL: USER CMND

sim/dyn,end=10,step=53

DBANNR:BDF

Begin the dynamic analysis.

The system is modelled with DAEs.

The VARIABLE coefficient BDF method will be used.

The operating values of the error tolerances for BDF are:

	Default Recommended Selected		
Integration error	ĺ	ĺ	
NTREL_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
NTABS_ERR	1.00E-03		5.00E-04
Corrector error			
CRREL_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07
CRABS_ERR	1.00E-06	5.00E-07	5.00E-07

Simulation Time	Time Step	Cumulative Iterations	Cumulative Steps Taken	Integrator Order
9.00000E+00	9.43396E-04	3092	812	4
9.01887E+00	1.88679E-02	3096	813	4
9.11321E+00	1.88679E-02	3117	820	4
9.22642E+00	1.88679E-02	3135	826	5
9.33962E+00	6.28931E-03	3164	834	3
9.45283E+00	1.88679E-02	3192	843	4
9.56604E+00	1.88679E-02	3211	849	4
9.67925E+00	1.88679E-02	3229	855	5
9.79245E+00	1.88679E-02	3247	861	5
9.90566E+00	1.88679E-02	3282	871	3

GLGETL: USER_CMND stop

TERM0:EXE_TERM

ADAMS/Solver execution terminated by subprogram A3TERM

TERMO: CP TIME

CPU time used = 81.868 seconds

7.15 Static Solution Note

Getting a valid static equilibrium solution is surprisingly difficult for many rotor models, including this example case. If you really need an equilibrium solution, you should first try with the default EQUILIBRIUM statement parameters. If this fails, you should try reducing the alimit parameter on the EQUILIBRIUM statement to about 5 degrees and the tlimit value to about 100 meters, while also increasing the stability parameter to about .01 and increasing the maxit value to 100. After you get a solution, you can "play" these parameters to get

optimal convergence. Note that with no line voltage and no wind at startup, you may get <u>either</u> horizontal or vertical blade static solutions for a 2-bladed rotor, even though a vertical solution probably has slightly less total energy. You might also get solutions with the blades bent into unusual positions. Do not use these as a starting point for a dynamic simulation!

7.16 Visualizing the Results

At this point, you are ready to read the results of the simulation back into ADAMS/View to look at the responses. Switch back to the A/View window and either use the FILE IMPORT menu or enter at the View command line:

file analysis read file=case_1 model=case_1

It will take View a few moments to read in the data from the graphics (*case_1.gra*) and request (*case_1.req*) files. You can then animate the results and see how the rotor responded. There are quite a few ways to animate response in View. The simplest way in the WT interface is to bring up the control panel and just hit the ANIMATE button.

7.17 Plotting Output

ADAMS/View 9.1 has a completely new plotting interface, including a large number of plotting features which can be accessed in many ways. Quick plots of request data can be made by easily made using the Plot Builder. The data can also be "surfed" this way.

For repetitive plotting of specific requests from multiple simulations, it is often best to create a View command file (.cmd) containing the necessary commands to create and customize all the plots for a particular run. This command file contains the same commands you could execute via the plot builder or type in at the View command line to create the plots, but is easily modifiable using a text editor for customization and changes. An example of such a command file is found in the file plotemup.cmd in the examples/case_1 directory. The contents are repeated here:

```
! View command file to plot results from example case 1
! Created by A. Elliott, MDI, December '98.
xy_plot template create plot=tbl1 title="Tower Base Loads (forces)"&
 subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newtons" hlabel="Seconds" &
 auto=no
xy_plot curve create plot=tbl1 legend=yes &
 vaxis=twr_base_loads/X,twr_base_loads/Y,twr_base_loads/Z
xy att plot_name = .tbl1 graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85
xy curve mod curve=.tbl1.curve legend="X"
xy curve mod curve=.tbl1.curve_2 legend="Y"
xy curve mod curve=.tbl1.curve_3 legend="Z"
note att note=.tbl1.curve.legend
note att note=.tbl1.curve.legend point_size = 8
note att note=.tbl1.curve_2.legend point_size = 8
note att note=.tbl1.curve_3.legend point_size = 8
xy_plot template create plot=tbl2 title="Tower Base Loads (torques)"&
subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newton-Meters" hlabel="Seconds" &
auto=no
xy_plot curve create plot=tbl2 legend=yes &
vaxis=twr_base_loads/R1,twr_base_loads/R2,twr_base_loads/R3
xy att plot_name = .tbl2 graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85
xy curve mod curve=.tbl2.curve legend="X"
xy curve mod curve=.tbl2.curve_2 legend="Y"
xy curve mod curve=.tbl2.curve_3 legend="Z"
note att note=.tbl2.curve.legend point_size = 8
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note att note=.tbl2.curve_2.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.tbl2.curve_3.legend point_size = 8 xy_plot template create plot=yaw1 title="Yaw Table Loads (forces)"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newtons" hlabel="Seconds" & auto=no xy_plot curve create plot=yaw1 legend=yes & vaxis=yaw_table_loads/X,yaw_table_loads/Y,yaw_table_loads/Z $xy att plot_name = .yawl graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85$ xy curve mod curve=.yaw1.curve legend="X" xy curve mod curve=.yaw1.curve_2 legend="Y" xy curve mod curve=.yaw1.curve_3 legend="Z" note att note=.yaw1.curve.legend point_size = 8
note att note=.yaw1.curve_2.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.yaw1.curve_3.legend point_size = 8 xy_plot template create plot=yaw2 title="Yaw Table Loads (torques)"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newton-Meters" hlabel="Seconds" & aut.o=no xy_plot curve create plot=yaw2 legend=yes & vaxis=yaw_table_loads/R1,yaw_table_loads/R2,yaw_table_loads/R3 xy att plot_name = .yaw2 graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85 xy curve mod curve=.yaw2.curve legend="X" xy curve mod curve=.yaw2.curve_2 legend="Y" xy curve mod curve=.yaw2.curve_3 legend="Z" note att note=.yaw2.curve.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.yaw2.curve_2.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.yaw2.curve_3.legend point_size = 8 xy_plot template create plot=rpm title="Rotor Speed"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="RPM" hlabel="Seconds" legend=no & xy_plot curve create plot=rpm vaxis=rotor_data/Z xy att plot_name = .rpm graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85 xy_plot template create plot=yaw title="Nacelle Yaw"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Degrees" hlabel="Seconds" legend=no & auto=no xy_plot curve create plot=yaw vaxis=rotor_data/R1 xy att plot_name = .yaw graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85 xy_plot template create plot=root1 title="Blade Root Loads (forces)"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newtons" hlabel="Seconds" & aut.o=no xy_plot curve create plot=root1 legend=yes & vaxis=root_loads/X,root_loads/Y,root_loads/Z xy att plot_name = .root1 graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85 xy curve mod curve=.root1.curve legend="X" xy curve mod curve=.root1.curve_2 legend="Y" xy curve mod curve=.root1.curve_3 legend="Z" note att note=.rootl.curve.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.rootl.curve_2.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.root1.curve_3.legend point_size = 8 xy_plot template create plot=root2 title="Blade Root Loads (torques)"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newton-Meters" hlabel="Seconds" & auto=no xy_plot curve create plot=root2 legend=yes & vaxis=root_loads/R1,root_loads/R2,root_loads/R3 xy att plot_name = .root2 graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85 xy curve mod curve=.root2.curve legend="X" xy curve mod curve=.root2.curve_2 legend="Y" xy curve mod curve=.root2.curve_3 legend="Z" note att note=.root2.curve.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.root2.curve_2.legend point_size = 8 note att note=.root2.curve_3.legend point_size = 8 xy_plot template create plot=teeter title="Teetering Angle"& subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Degrees" hlabel="Seconds" legend=no & auto=no xy_plot curve create plot=teeter vaxis=teetering_hub/X xy att plot_name = .teeter graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85 xy_plot template create plot=azimuth title="Blade 1 Azimuth Angle"&

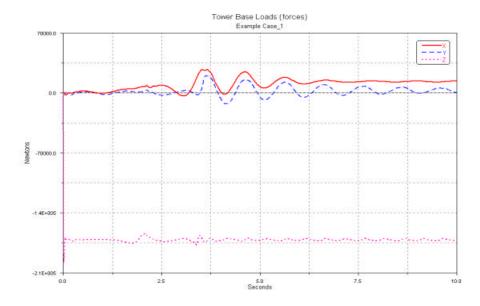
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subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Degrees" hlabel="Seconds" legend=no &
auto=no
xy_plot curve create plot=azimuth vaxis=teetering_hub/Y
xy att plot_name = .azimuth graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85

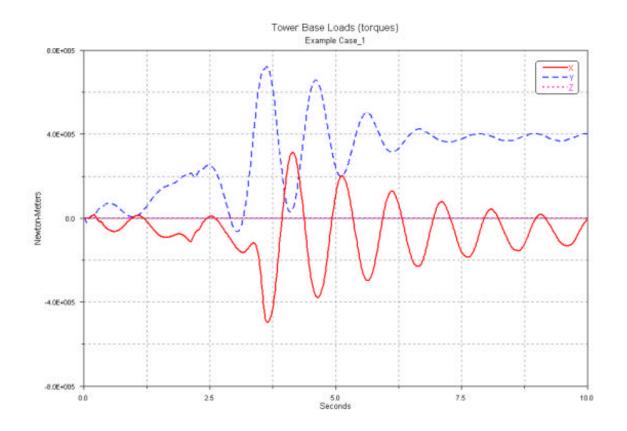
xy_plot template create plot=torque title="Motor-Generator Torque"&
subtitle="Example Case_1" vlabel="Newton-Meters" hlabel="Seconds" legend=no &
auto=no
xy_plot curve create plot=torque vaxis=motor_generator/X
xy att plot_name = .torque graph_area = 20, 5, 140, 85
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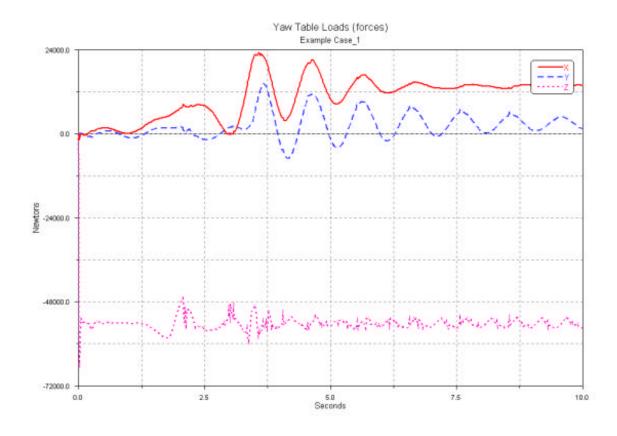
You can read in and run this command file through the FILE / IMPORT menus or by entering at the View command line:

file command read file=plotemup

The example plots below can be used to confirm that your model and WT executable are working correctly





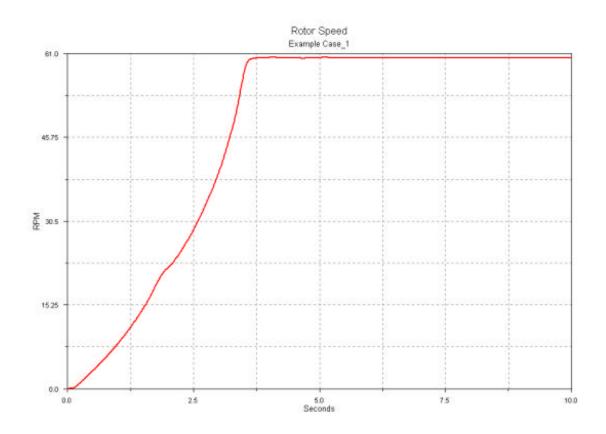


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